# Seven Corners Comprehensive Plan - Opportunity Area C

Survey Results from Open House on December 9, 2014

### **Final Question:**

Which team's scenario is the most desirable?

Team 1: 76 votes
 Team 2: 57 votes
 Team 3: 64 votes
 No Build Option: 14 votes

### Team 1:

Is the concept presented a good mix of uses for the site? 39 Yes; 18 No; 18 not sure/maybe What uses might you add?

- More green space/parks\*\*\*
- Less residential\*, more retail\*
- More multi-family\*/less office and retail
- Like the idea of keeping the Sears tower\*
- Like community space/entertainment use\*
- Less density
- Okay without adding entertainment/community use
- Like the single family/townhomes

Do you generally agree with the size of the buildings & their heights? 36 Yes; 22 No; 17 not sure/maybe

How well does this concept encourage new development while protecting the adjacent neighborhood?

• Average score = 3.03 out of 5

What would you suggest to make this concept better?

- Dead-end Juniper\*\*\*\*
- No new road connecting Juniper to Patrick Henry\*\*\*\*
- Do not dead-end Juniper\*\*\*
- Lower tallest buildings by a couple floors\*\*\*
- No residential should be added until traffic issues on Route 50 and Route 7 are resolved\*\*
- Eliminate school connection\*
- Not sure if developers will find this 'worth their while'. Add 1-2 floors more residential to make it palatable to developer\*
- Minimum 800,000 sqft density. Allow flexible uses based on market demand
- Add pedestrian and bicycle access to existing neighborhoods\*
- Restrict neighborhood parking
- More green space\*
- More transition to neighborhood\*\*
- Avoid sending traffic from new residents through Patrick Henry
- Green space associated with the school\*
- Less office\* and residential
- Too much development
- School overcrowding is a concern
- More senior housing\*
- Green spaces and green roofs are great and should be used\*
- More retail\* and office\*

## <u>Team 2:</u>

Is the concept presented a good mix of uses for the site? 30 Yes; 23 No; 22 not sure/maybe What uses might you add?

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- Too much/a little less housing \*\*\*
  Too dense\*\*
  Okay with 5-7 stories\*
- Like the mix of green spaces and buildings
- Like townhomes
- Dog park
- Big open space oriented to the park
- More pedestrian access
- More retail\*/restaurants/green space\*/office

Do you generally agree with the size of the buildings & their heights? 34 Yes; 22 No; 19 not sure/maybe

How well does this concept encourage new development while protecting the adjacent neighborhood?

• Average score = 3.00 out of 5

What would you suggest to make this concept better?

- Less residential\*\*\*\*\*\*\*
- Dead end Juniper\*\*\*\*
- Like green space ideas, multi-seasonal park\*\*\*
- Lower some building heights\*\*\* Five stories max\*
- More retail\*, professional office\*, entertainment use, restaurants
- Open up Shadeland\*, Juniper, and Nicholson to traffic
- Eliminate school connection\*
- Like road layout with townhomes\*
- This one seems like Shirlington, which I really like
- Like ideas for Juniper Lane traffic calming
- Do not like mixed use. Causes parking and zoning issues
- Remove retail that doesn't have visibility from Route 7
- Allow more flexibility based on market demand
- More pedestrian connections
- Need enough economic diversity to pay for amenities
- Green roofs for stormwater management. Green space for schools needed
- More parking
- Add single-family homes
- Senior community center
- Underground parking

### Team 3:

Is the concept presented a good mix of uses for the site? 31 Yes; 26 No; 18 not sure/maybe What uses might you add?

- Too much residential\*\*
- Like the field next to the school and the multi-seasonal park
- More multi-family residential (70%)
- More pedestrian access
- Okay if kept to the lower range of densities presented\*
- More mixed-use
- Okay, but percentages need to be rearranged
- More retail\*, office, green space

Do you generally agree with the size of the buildings & their heights? 36 Yes; 22 No; 17 not sure/maybe

How well does this concept encourage new development while protecting the adjacent neighborhood?

Average score = 2.92 out of 5

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What would you suggest to make this concept better?

- Like the school field/park space\*\*\*\*\*\*
- Dead end Juniper\*\*\*\*\*
- Too much residential\*\*\*\*
- Too dense/tall\*\*\*
- Eliminate Patrick Henry/Juniper Lane connection\*\*\*
- More pedestrian access\*
- More retail\*
- Block entry to Patrick Henry from Lake Barcroft and Columbia Pike
- Avoid use of Patrick Henry by new residents
- Encourage more retail on backside. Retail seems spread out. Missed opportunity for gathering but do like park ideas
- Keep the Sears tower
- No school playground
- Eliminate community use
- Eliminate road connecting Juniper and Patrick Henry
- No Sec-8 housing
- Not inviting along Route 7
- Incl. Plan language "preserving Shadeland cul-de-sac observes the foundation of revitalization by preserving the established community of Sleepy Hollow Manor, est. 1953 despite that it seems to contradict the concept of connecting communities."
- No multi-seasonal park. School field is enough
- Need shopping mall
- No need to keep Sears tower
- Underground parking
- Add senior housing

What are the top five amenities you would like to see in the redevelopment site?

Amenities Listed	# of people who selected the amenity as one of their top five
Outdoor Cafes/Seating	55
Green Space	54
Recreational Space	30
High-quality Architectural Finishes	30
Urban Plaza	29
Cultural Use (i.e. Theatre)	29
Public Art/Fountains	26
Public Trail	20
Dog Park	17
Community Meeting/Gathering Space	17
Other	Retail***, RSUs*, pedestrian access, traffic calming, safe place for children to play, lighting, safety features, green roofs for treating stormwater*, availability of parking

According to participants who ranked the amenities in order, the average ranking of the top five amenities are: (1 is the highest)

1.	Green Space	2.0
2.	Outdoor Cafes/Seating	2.7
3.	Recreational Space	2.8
4.	Dog Park	3.0
5.	Urban Plaza	3.1

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### **General Comments/Feedback**

- No more drug stores\*\*
- Schools to support new population growth\*\*
- Farmer's market\*
- Dog park\*
- Keep Sears tower and repurpose it\*\*
- Improve pedestrian access to Route 7 from neighborhood west of Juniper Lane\*
- Specialty grocery store
- Maintain connectivity within the neighborhoods
- Have RSU's
- Maintain Shadeland cul-de-sac until majority of Seven Corners revitalization is complete. Then let neighborhood decide if pedestrian connection is desired
- More access points to Route 7, Shadeland, and Juniper
- Don't connect Patrick Henry to Juniper
- Rental continuing care retirement housing
- More senior housing\* and senior center
- Free commuter parking (significant number of Feds in this area where the government transit subsidy does not pay for parking)
- Less residential\* and more high-end retail
- Two parking spaces per residential unit
- Free parking garage
- More traffic studies to determine impact to community on Juniper and Patrick Henry
- More green space
- Preserve established communities
- Prevent cut through into Sleepy Hollow Manor and Lake Barcroft
- Be aware of lighting issues on athletic field next to Bailey's Upper School. Get close to neighbor impact
- Provide protection from the elements for pedestrians (indoor mall)
- Need for office space is not as strong/in demand as was in the past
- Make sure that new development incorporates traffic calming elements
- Include major outdoor field/play area for the Upper Baileys Elementary School
- Make sure transportation, traffic flow and schools are funded
- All three concepts have positive and negative aspects they all need work
- Only Virginia native plants
- Bird friendly, water design (shallow water, ex: pond, brook, small waterfall)
- No chemical sprays in landscaping
- Walking trail with distance marker
- Traffic plans should include more of the surrounding context

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